

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 5-9 are pending in this application. By this amendment, Claims 5-7 are amended; and no claims are canceled or added herewith. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter is added by this amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 5-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Publication 2005/0079898 to Park; and Claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Park.

With respect to the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and § 103 over Park, these rejections are respectfully traversed. Specifically, Park does not constitute prior art. The effective prior art date for Park is September 13, 2004. However, the present application claims priority from PCT/JP04/007870 filed May 31, 2004. Thus, Park does not constitute prior art, and withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 5-9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and § 103 is respectfully requested.

Consequently, for the reasons discussed in detail above, no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. Therefore, a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that any further action is necessary to place this application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned representative at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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